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# Elim Evangel

## & Foursquare Revivalist

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## The Harvest of the Age

By HENRY PROCTOR, F.R.S.L.

*I will pour out My Spirit upon all flesh.—Joel ii. 28.*

**T**HIS promise yet awaits fulfilment in its entirety. It is true that it has had germinant fulfilments, as at Pentecost, when Peter said "This is that" which was predicted by the Prophet Joel (Acts ii. 16). This was the former rain (v. 23), and for many years now the latter rain has been poured out, and caused such a revival as had not been seen for centuries previously. But both the former and the latter rains are necessary before "the harvest at the consummation of the age" (Matt. xiii. 39, Greek). But when will this universal outpouring take place?

It is in the "great and terrible day of the Lord" (Joel ii. 31), and coincides with the return of the captivity of Judah and Jerusalem (chap. iii. 1). It will be after the Rapture, when the first seal is opened, that a world-wide preaching of the Gospel of the Kingdom symbolised by the rider on the white horse, who goes forth conquering and to conquer (Rev. vi. 2). For "this gospel of the kingdom shall be proclaimed throughout the whole world to set the evidence before all the Gentiles; and then shall the end come" (Matt. xxiv. 14, Weymouth). This preaching of the Gospel of the Kingdom will be the means of bringing in out of the Great Tribulation a multitude

### WHICH NO MAN CAN NUMBER

who have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb (Rev. vii. 9-14).

The Greek has it "out of the Tribulation, the Great One," so that there can be no doubt of the world-wide outpouring of the Spirit. Otherwise how could such a vast host as it was impossible for anyone to count, be "gathered out of every nation and from all tribes and peoples and languages"? (Rev. vii. 9, Weymouth). The salvation of souls cannot be accomplished apart from the presence of the Holy Spirit, for salvation is the work of God from beginning to end: "No man can come unto Me," says Jesus, "except My Father which has sent Me draw him." Again, "No man cometh

to the Father, but by Me." The Holy Spirit comes to convict the world of sin. No salvation, therefore, is accomplished apart from the co-operation of the Trinity.

That which has to be "taken out of the way" before Antichrist can be openly manifested, is the Church, which is the Body of Christ (II. Thess. ii. 7). Then shall follow the great signs and wonders which are to usher in the Day of the Lord. "The sun shall be turned into darkness and the moon into blood before the great and terrible day of the Lord come" (Joel ii. 31), for in Mount Zion and in Jerusalem shall be deliverance, and whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be delivered.

The great outpouring will be preceded by great prosperity: "Behold I will send you corn and wine, and oil, and ye shall be satisfied therewith, and I will no more make you a reproach among the nations (Joel ii. 19). This proves that the

### PROMISE IS YET FUTURE,

because at the present time His people are a reproach among nearly all the nations. Also, abundant fruitfulness has yet to come: "And the floors shall be full of wheat and the fats shall overflow with wine and oil" (v. 24). "And ye shall eat in plenty and be satisfied, and praise the name of the Lord your God, that hath dealt wondrously with you: and My people shall never be ashamed. And ye shall know that I am in the midst of Israel, and that I am the Lord your God, and none else: and My people shall never be ashamed (vv. 26, 27). It is after this that the harvest of the end of the age comes. "Then shall it be that I will pour out my Spirit on all. . . . And I will display portents on earth and in the sky; the sun shall be turned into darkness, the moon into blood before the coming of the Eternal's day, that great and awful day" (vv. 28a, 30, 31, Moffatt).

# The Promise is Unto You

By EARL A. CRIPPS

**K**INGS and prophets spake of a time when God would pour out His Spirit upon all flesh and even angels desired to look into it. That which was spoken by the prophet Joel is the experience that Abraham, David, and Daniel coveted, and Gabriel and Michael envied. John the Baptist stressed it, Jesus commanded it, the apostles at Jerusalem sent Peter and John to Samaria that the converts of Philip might receive it. Paul's first question to some Ephesians was, "Have ye received it?" and the Epistles exhort it. Not to receive the promise of the Father in this day of grace is nothing short of a calamity.

Never before Pentecost had the Spirit come to take up His personal abode in a human being and dwell there as an intimate and abiding guest. He whose shoes John was unworthy to unlatch had come from and had gone back to the glory without baptising a single person. He had healed the sick, raised the dead, etc., but He could not give the Comforter for He was not yet given. No doubt all His baptismal ministry was to be done from the Throne in order that the promise might not only be to those of His own generation, but to all flesh even as many as the Lord would call. Following the death of Jesus the Third Person of the Trinity, sent down from heaven, was to minister grace and glory hitherto unknown, for He was to be in people

and out of them was to flow rivers of living water. Just as Jesus was with the Hebrew children in the fiery furnace but was not here as the Second Person of the Trinity until He was born of the Virgin Mary, so the Comforter was with the prophets and disciples, but was in no one until Pentecost. They all saw the promise afar off, but all the former died, not having received it, God having something better for us.

The Gift of the Holy Ghost is the Blood-bought birthright of every believer in Jesus Christ. It was not only for apostles, Jews, and those of Bible days, but for all time. If you will determine in your heart that you will not be satisfied with anything short of Pentecost, God will give it to you. He is more willing to give the Holy Spirit to them that ask Him than an earthly father is to give good gifts to his children, but He cannot lower the standard to suit you. He made a pattern on the day of Pentecost for this dispensation and all through the Acts of the Apostles where anyone received the Holy Ghost it either says or infers that they spake with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance. If the Holy Spirit is bearing witness with your spirit that you are a child of God, He that is with you wants to be in you. And in every case where He comes in, the same manifestation will take place as at Pentecost, at the house of Cornelius, at Samaria, and at Ephesus.

## Mirror of World Events

By Pastor P. N. CORRY

### Eyes Have They . . . What For?

We quote from "Flowing Stream": "One day in the Yosemite Valley, I was told, that there was an old man in the office of the hotel who in 1851 had been one of the company that had discovered the Yosemite. Eagerly I seized the opportunity of finding out what it was like to be the first of civilized men to behold one of nature's most marvellous works. 'It must have been wonderful,' I said, 'to have the Valley burst suddenly upon you.' The old man looked reflective for a moment. 'Well,' he said, 'I'll tell ye. If I'd ha' knowed it was going to be so famous I'd ha' looked at it.'"

Have you ever noticed how many times Isaiah vi. 9, 10 is quoted in the New Testament? It is used by the Holy Spirit regarding the way people hear the words of Christ (Matt. xiii. 14, 15), see His acts (John xii. 37-41), and also of those who hear the Good News (Acts xxviii. 23-28) and turn away. Then Paul used it to show what God has done to those who treat His message in this way (Rom. xi. 7-10). Beware of Divine things, wonderful things, becoming so common and everyday that though you see them you are blind. Keep the freshness of vision at all costs.

### Leadership.

Professor Main, addressing men who were to become future leaders asked: "What is the secret of leadership?" He thought that a leader must be a man who, with his people, had gone through some great ordeal, a man who had been willing to dare and die for his people, a man who had had a lofty ideal and who had pursued it without fear, a man who was full of hope for the future of the people he ruled.

We know of One who has been appointed of God as the leader of the people, and who more than fulfils all these claims (Isa. lv. 4). He went through every test for us, being tempted

in all points like as we are, yet without sin." He died for us and rose again, having abolished death and so conquered the fear of death. He is the One who fills our hearts with hope because He has said, "If I go away I WILL COME AGAIN." The future is safe in His hands. You cannot be a true leader until you have owned His Divine leadership, and with Him to control and guide, saved sinners can turn the world upside down.

### The Pet Became Boss.

Kathrene Pinkerton writes: "On a portage one evening after blueberry-picking, we met Ash-wan-a-mak, an aged Indian, and his wife. We were surprised to find this feeble couple so far from their lake. Obviously they were worried. As the story came out, we strove desperately to keep our faces straight. Ash-wan-a-mak and his wife had taken a bear cub for a pet. It slept in their wigwam. But the bear grew to full size, took up most of the space beside the fire and became so strong, the frail old people could not control him. Often he ate all their food. As they expressed it, 'The bear he got to be boss.'

"Ash-wan-a-mak could not bring himself to kill the bear, and at last in desperation, they had run away from it. While they were still telling the story, the old Indian woman began a warning 'teckh' and both stiffened. Then we heard a rustle in the brush, and out came a huge black bear.

"He rushed up to the old couple and began nosing about for food. We went on at once, for the bear showed an interest in our packs. As we paddled around the next bend we looked back to see the reunited but disconsolate family."

Surely the same story can be repeated by everyone whose habits have become habits (their clothes). Thank God we know of One who can break every chain and whose freedom is freedom indeed.

### The Money Pit a Pit Indeed.

This is a brief summary of the hunt for the world's most elusive treasure.

A small island off Nova Scotia which looks like a map of Captain Kidd's Treasure Island has been the focus of treasure hunters since 1795. Three young men started to dig, and at 10 feet they hit a solid platform of 6-inch oak logs; under this a further 10 feet down came a second platform of logs, and a third barrier at the 30 foot level. They were forced to give up, but working at intervals they got down another 10 feet.

Nothing further was done until 1803, when a sum of money having been obtained, the shaft was pushed down through five more obstructions. At 80 feet a layer of charcoal on coconut fibre was struck, and at 90 feet a thick layer of ship's putty. After 95 feet the earth became very soft, and at 98 feet they ran into a hard obstruction. In the morning the pit was filled with 65 feet of water.

The next year another shaft was sunk to the depth of 110 feet, but it suffered the same fate as the first and the venture was given up.

After nearly fifty years, in 1849, a new syndicate was formed. Drills gave them hope that gold was hidden there, but after sinking another shaft, the bottom of the pit crashed in and the funds of the company were soon exhausted. Other syndicates of 1865 and 1874 spent more than £14,000, but got no nearer the treasure.

In 1893 one other attempt was made and drills enclosed in 3-inch pipes seemed to promise success. During the next two years the Company put down six more shafts around the Money Pit. All came to grief and in 1897 the cash ran out. The leader of the syndicate, named Blair, bought out all the other holders of stock and was able to continue alone until 1903, when he entered into an agreement with the Canadian Government to give him all the treasure rights of the Island until 1944. In 1934 a retired steel manufacturer helped Blair to form another syndicate. Work started in 1935, and the pit was reopened down to 155 feet. The next year another shaft was sunk, and by 1937 the new shaft, more than double the size of the Money Pit, had reached the depth of 125 feet, and still something like £40,000 is required to carry on the work. The local population have lost interest, for they cannot forget the one hundred and forty years of failure. The others are still searching!

So another story is added to the number of those who seek to grasp treasure on earth. What a contrast the story of Divine grace is—He came to seek and to save the lost, those who are nobodies, and Peter says these have now become His own special treasure. (In I. Peter ii. 9 the word "peculiar people," quoted from Exod. xix. 5, is the same word translated "Jewels" in Malachi iii. 17). Think of it—taken from the horrible pit to be jewels of grace and glory! Thank God, that search was not fruitless, nor has Grace gone bankrupt in the attempt.

## "God in the Factory"

By P. GRIFFIN (Smethwick Crusader Secretary)

**F**OR a period of over seven years there has been a faithful witness to God's saving and keeping power in a small factory at Blackheath, near Birmingham. The fight has been hard and long, but it has been well worth while. Hallelujah!

Mine was the privilege of nailing the colours to the mast, and just when I needed Him, "Jesus was near to bless and cheer." Faithfulness was rewarded by the conversion of my own brother, and our joint witness resulted in the saving of another brother (now called to higher service). Many encounters we had with the enemy, but God was always by our side. Up to the time of writing the party numbers seven (not including the young man on the extreme left of the left-hand picture, who "gate-crashed" on the photo).

Many and varied have been our activities for the Lord whilst engaged at the factory, including tract distributing, dinner-hour sick-visiting, prayer meetings, and Bible study. During the last two years we felt the call to visit different churches as a band of young men witnessing to the saving and keeping power

of Jesus Christ in the factory. Our ministry in word and song has taken us into many churches and missions, and everywhere God has blessed the humble ministry of "Hobbs' Revival Party." (This title was conferred upon us by an Elim minister!)

In all modesty we mention that the party includes the Blackheath Crusader Secretary, Smethwick Church Secretary, Methodist organist, and Smethwick Crusader Secretary.

Our purpose in recording this will be achieved if only one dear brother or sister working in a factory, or elsewhere, is encouraged to continue the fight of faith, remembering that God takes the base and foolish things of this world to confound the mighty!

Let us rally to the standard, Crusaders.

Hold the fort, for I am coming,  
Jesus signals still;  
Wave the answer back to heaven,  
By Thy grace, we will!



The faithful band of witnesses  
in a Blackheath factory.

On the boards behind the group on the right a text is written in chalk, and this has been the means of opening up many a conversation about the power of Christ to save.

# Bible Study Helps

## "THE IMPLANTED WORD," OR THE WORD AT WORK (An Exposition of James i.: 21-25)

Introduction: "The seed is the word" (Luke viii. 11b), but it must be planted before it can bring forth a harvest; when it is planted it begins to work. Here we have what "the implanted word" will do, or "the word at work."

1. **Repentance**—"putting away all filthiness and overflowing of wickedness" (v. 21, R.V.).

2. **Faith**—"receive with meekness the engrafted word" (v. 21). Compare John i. 12. "Engrafted" is "implanted" in Revised Version.

3. **Salvation**—"the engrafted word . . . is able to save your souls" (v. 21).

4. **Works**—"be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only" (v. 22).

5. **Blessing**—"a doer of the work . . . shall be blessed in his deed" (v. 25).

Conclusion: All of these steps are in the proper order—repent and believe, salvation and works, then blessing, and are the inevitable results or fruits of "the implanted word."

### THE LORD IS MY SHEPHERD

1. The Providing Shepherd (Psa. xxiii. 1).
2. The Tender Shepherd (Isa. xl. 11).
3. The Sacrificing Shepherd (John 10: 11).
4. The Rewarding Shepherd (I. Pet. v. 4).

### AT THE POOL OF BETHESDA (John v. 1-9).

1. The Misery of Sin (vv. 1-5).
2. The Mercy of Christ (vv. 6, 7).
3. The Method of Healing (v. 8).
4. The Marvellous Result (v. 9).

# I am Glad I'll be There

J.H.

JOE HAYES.



1. When I think of my Saviour Who came from above, For to seek and to save, O'twas
2. I am glad I'll be there, In the land that is fair, With the saints of all a - ges His
3. Are you ready to go To those mansions up there, Where the Saviour has gone To His
4. Oh! I long to be there In those mansions above, Oh! I long to be near The dear



### CHORUS.



won-der-ful love. } Oh, the joy it will be When my Sa-viour I'll see, In the  
bless-ings to share.  
home to pre-pare? }  
Sa-viour I love.



land that is fair-er than day; I am glad I'll be there All His



bless-ings to share, In the land that is fair-er than day.



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Conducted by Pastor DAVID A. VANSTONE

### HULLO JUNIORS,

Rummaging around among my odd bits of paper "tidying-up" the other day, I came across these scraps. Where they came from I don't remember, but as they are rather good I'm passing them on.

The first four seem to show that nobody can get on in the world without hard work and grit. Sometimes we have to swallow our feelings and get down to jobs which we don't like. This helps to make us into men who will be useful to God.

(1) There were two boys and they both loved going fishing. They went out and sat by a stream. Beforehand one boy had gone out into the garden with a can and spade. He dug until he had twelve worms and a blister. The other boy liked fishing, but not digging.

At the end of the day when they returned home the first boy had a string of fish and a sunburnt nose. The second had only a sunburnt nose!

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Well, here's No. 2: "Success comes from working a little harder than we need." And No. 3:—

Do your best and you will never rue it.  
Lay out more than you can do, and do it;  
You are wiser than you seem,  
You are stronger than you dream,  
Bite off more than you can chew, and chew it.

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Finally, in answer to an advertisement "Boy Wanted," young Jones applied.  
Said the manager, "Do you like work?"  
"No sir," was Jones's honest reply.  
"Well, I want a boy who does."  
"There aren't any, sir, but I'm keen to try."

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So, all my young Juniors, when school seems rather dull and you feel homesick (if you are an evacuee), just remember the words of the prophet Haggai to his people when they found the job of rebuilding Jerusalem so hard—"Be strong . . . and work." Never let it be said of a Christian that he is a slacker! "Christ is worthy, then give Him nothing less than the best."

### MIXED DOUBLES

In each of the following there are jumbled the letters of the names of two people in the Bible who are usually mentioned together:

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|--------------------|---------------------|
| 1. SLIP A SAUL.    | 4. HAS HE LIE JAIL. |
| 2. HAD LIVID GOAT. | 5. ROAM ON SEAS.    |
| 3. MADE EVA.       | 6. OH A LAB TRAM.   |



## Monthly Book Window

**FLOODS ON DRY GROUND.** By Eva Stuart Watt. (Marshall, Morgan & Scott, Ltd. 1/-, by post 1/3).

Moody's influence is still leading the Christian Church to revival. He led C. T. Studd to a consecrated life. C. T. founded the Worldwide Evangelisation Crusade. Its work in Africa is one of the wonders of modern missions. There is a soul-stirring record of God's visitation in Revival to one of the W.E.C. stations, told in the authoress's own beautiful style. It is a practical demonstration of the path to Revival and the priceless blessings it brings.—THOS. A. CARVER.

**HOW TO LIVE CALMLY IN WAR TIME.** By A London Journalist. (Pickering & Inglis, Ltd. 1/-, by post 1/2).

A book of devotional readings from the pen of a leading writer. Twenty short chapters designed for morning by morning reading, with the object of teaching us the value of a calm quiet mind in these troublous days. There is much that is beautiful in these pages, yet somehow the impression created seems more psychological than a solid assurance as a result of the unassailable truths of our faith. I could not help feeling that Mr. Newman Watts is better in his usual style of aggressive fighting for the truth than as a devotional writer.—THOS. A. CARVER.

**THE KESWICK CONVENTION, 1939.** (Pickering & Inglis, Ltd. Paper covers 2/6, by post 2/9; cloth boards 4/-, by post 4/6).

This book is in the nature of a diary, containing reports of the Keswick meetings, and notes of the sermons preached. These addresses, revised by the speakers themselves, are of interest, in that they represent the up-to-date opinion of a large section of Nonconformity. To those who heard them preached, they will revive happy memories of the Convention days of blessing. To others who were not privileged to attend the meetings, they will be read with completely new interest.

The first fifty-eight pages are entitled "Announcements," and consist of advertisements, mostly of a begging character. If you haven't much money they are better left unopened.—H. W. GREENWAY.

**THE MURRAYS OF MOORSFOOT.** By M. P. Neill. (Pickering & Inglis, Ltd. 2/-, by post 2/4).

Another helpful storybook for parents who wish their children's minds to be stored with truth. Specially written for girls from eight to twelve years of age, it is a delightful story with a missionary flavour, the main theme being that of "shining for Jesus" in difficult places. Any Christian girl will enjoy this book.—THOS. A. CARVER.

**GUEST-CHAMBER OR HOME?** By Gertrude M. Daniels. (Pickering & Inglis, Ltd. 1/-, by post 1/1).

Twelve short talks, some devotional, some topical, written specially for sisters. They cover such themes as "Peace and rest of mind in troublous days," "The value of trials and disappointments," and "Encouragements for discouraged workers."

Although marked by simplicity, they should have a gracious ministry of comfort and encouragement for all sisters who seek to serve the Lord under great difficulties.—THOS. A. CARVER.

**THE BULWARKS OF THE CHRISTIAN FAITH.** By John Ritchie. (Pickering & Inglis, Ltd. 2/6, by post 2/10).

The writer could not have chosen a better book for the presentation of his subject than the one which he has selected, viz., Romans. Every man who has a desire to be established in the great truths of practical Christianity should seek to make himself familiar with the teaching laid down in the book of Romans; and every book which helps him toward this goal he should endeavour to make himself familiar with. Therefore I have pleasure in recommending this book to all those who seek to be established, strengthened, and settled in the faith of Christ.—JOSEPH SMITH.

**A POET OF PRAISE.** By The Marechale. (Marshall, Morgan & Scott, Ltd. 6d., by post 7d.).

A little book of tributes to a warrior who has fought the good fight of faith, and finished his course triumphantly. Arthur Sydney Booth-Clibborn spent most of his life of service for the Master on the Continent, but in his latter years appeared much on English platforms. Well can one remember him mounting the steps to the Kingsway Hall platform to give his aid to the Pentecostal Testimony. The booklet contains twenty pages of choice hymns by A. S. Booth-Clibborn.—A. BIRKENSHAW.

**KNEELING TO CONQUER.** By Lionel B. Fletcher. (Marshall, Morgan & Scott, Ltd. 1/-, by post 1/3).

Except for two chapters on Luke xviii. these studies on Prayer were given by the author in the course of four Bible Readings at the Keswick Convention. The value of prayer is illustrated by reference to the prayer-life of several great men of the Old Testament, and its effects among the believers in the Early Church. Our Lord's teaching on the subject is included in the chapters which have been added to the original studies. We greatly appreciate the writer's emphasis on the need for the infilling of the Holy Ghost. He says, referring to this experience: "God grant you may not allow any person or church to shut you out from that crowning blessing of the Christian life."—H. W. GREENWAY.

**FATHER OF 25,000—ARTHUR PARKER, MISSIONARY IN INDIA.** By Rebecca J. Parker. (Marshall, Morgan & Scott, Ltd. Paper 1/-, by post 1/3; cloth 2/6, by post 2/9).

This is the biography of a man consecrated to God; the record of missionary activity in India during a period of forty years.

Arthur Parker sacrificed bright prospects in the home ministry in order to take the Christian message to more needy ones. Amongst the religious devotees of Benares in North India, and the "Untouchables" of South India he was highly esteemed.

Insight is given into the various castes and customs of that land.

The style is a little involved, but to the missionary-hearted the matter will be interesting and instructive.—J. REGINALD KNIGHT.

**THROUGH BLOOD AND FIRE IN CHINA.** By J. Edwin Orr. (Marshall, Morgan & Scott, Ltd. 2/6, by post 2/10).

The latest book of Edwin Orr's Gospel travels. Air raids, Japanese invasions, cities overcrowded with refugees—all these form part of Mr. Orr's thrilling experiences. The book throws a flood of light on China's struggle for freedom, and on the life and character of Chiang Kai-Shek. It also depicts the tremendous trials of Christian missions in China's hour of sorrow. Yet one experienced a tinge of regret that nearly 75 per cent of the book seems to be geographical and political with evangelism relegated to second place. Nevertheless, it deserves a warm welcome.—THOS. A. CARVER.

[Any of these books can be obtained from the Elim Publishing Co., Ltd., Clapham Crescent, London, S.W.4.]

## This Month's New Books

"The Bulwarks of the Christian Faith." By John Ritchie. 2/6 (by post 2/10).

"The Murrays of Moorsfoot." By M. P. Neill. 2/- (by post 2/4).

"Guest-Chamber or Home?" By Gertrude M. Daniels. 1/- (by post 1/1).

"Father of 25,000—Arthur Parker, Missionary in India." By Rebecca J. Parker. Paper covers 1/- (by post 1/3); cloth 2/6 (by post 2/9).

"What They Found." By Adeline Wallis. 1/- (by post 1/3).

"Through Blood and Fire in China." By J. Edwin Orr. 2/6 (by post 2/10).

"Kneeling to Conquer." By Lionel B. Fletcher. 1/- (by post 1/3).

From Messrs. Pickering & Inglis, Ltd., we have received the following Calendars for 1940, which are produced in their usual artistic style:

Golden Grain Meditation Calendar ... 1/6

Daily Mana Calendar ... 1/-

Grace and Truth Calendar ... 1/-

Young Folks Calendar ... 1/-

Daily Light Almanac ... 11d.

Bible Almanac ... 2s.

Our Home Almanac ... 1d.

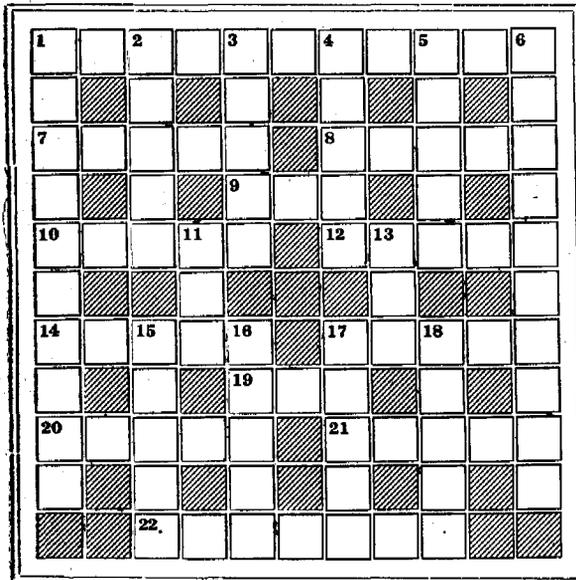
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**OUR SPECIAL "EVANGEL" CROSSWORD**

For Increasing Bible Knowledge

No. 55.



The solution will appear next week.

**CLUES ACROSS:**

- 1. The Lord knoweth how to deliver the godly out of these (2 Pet. 2).
- 7. A creeping thing (Lev. 11).
- 8. Here John wore a girdle of skin (Mark 1).
- 9. Frozen water (Job 6).
- 10. A son of Midian (Gen. 25).
- 12. Corn is sifted in this (Amos 9).
- 14. Measures of land (Isa. 5).
- 17. A servant of Sheshan (1 Chron. 2).
- 19. How many mites made a farthing? (Mark 12).
- 20. Midianitish woman who was slain (Num. 25).
- 21. Whom Abraham laid upon an altar (Gen. 22).
- 22. Correctly (Luke 20).

**CLUES DOWN:**

- 1. Moderation (2 Pet. 1).
- 2. A flattering one worketh ruin (Prov. 26).
- 3. He shall save His people from — sins (Matt. 1).
- 4. Stories (Luke 24).
- 5. A dove brought Noah this leaf (Gen. 8).
- 6. Nourishment (Judg. 6).
- 11. Female lamb (Lev. 14).
- 13. A chief ruler about David (2 Sam. 20).
- 15. Used by a barber (Ezek. 5).
- 16. The — of death is sin (1 Cor. 15).
- 17. Bones may be out of this (Psa. 22).
- 18. The spirit may be this, but the flesh weak (Mark 14).

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**Coming Events**

**ELIM WOODLANDS** will be open to guests at Christmas time. So many families will be divided this Christmas, but there will still be an Elim family gathering at the Woodlands. Will you join the happy family there? Central heating, spiritual fellowship, special attractions.

**UXBRIDGE.** Regular Elim services are now held in the Elim Foursquare Gospel Church, High Street (next to Woolworths).

**WORCESTER.** December 10—17. Elim Tabernacle, Lowesmoor. Bible Study Campaign by Pastor P. N. Corry.



**Gleanings from Other Fields**

**Mr. Frederick P. Wood.**

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick P. Wood of the National Young Life Campaign have returned to England after five months in Canada and the U.S.A.

**Christian Colportage Association.**

The colporteurs of the Christian Colportage Association sold 68,532 Bibles, Testaments, and Scripture portions during the past year.

**Bibles for the Troops.**

Half a ton of Bibles, Testaments, and portions of Scripture were during the first week of the war sent by the Trinitarian Bible Society for use amongst H.M. Forces.

**Dr. C. K. Mowll.**

Prayer is asked for Dr. C. K. Mowll who is recovering from an operation.

**Commander R. G. Studd.**

Commander R. G. Studd has returned to the Navy and been appointed to an area in Scotland.

**Advent Testimony Movement.**

Mr. A. Lindsay Giegg has succeeded Rev. E. L. Langston as Chairman of the Council of the Advent Testimony Movement. Lady Bates was a speaker at their recent Convention at Liverpool, when 2,500 people were present at the opening meeting.

**FRIENDS**

Our best friends are not those who make life easy for us; our best friends are those who put courage, energy, and resolution into our hearts. There are thousands of lives dwarfed and hurt irreparably by pampering.

**Prayer Changes Things**

**Philippians iv. 6.**

**Prayer is requested for :**

A brother in the Lord that he may be healed of a cyst.—*R.H.*

The healing of a believer from cancer and blood pressure.

The conversion to Christ of a husband and wife.

The healing of a sister from nervous trouble.

A reader's healing from deafness and head noises.—*L.M.*

# FAMILY ALTAR



The Scripture Union Daily Portion: Meditations by Pastor J. C. CARISS

**Sunday, December 3rd.** Rev. i. 1-8.

"The Revelation of Jesus Christ" (verse 1).

These words disclose the supreme purpose of the book. No wonder that a special blessing is promised to those who read it (v. 3). Nothing that reveals the Lord Jesus can ever be studied without bringing profit to the soul. There may be much in this book which is obscure to us, but if we look for Christ we shall find Him in every chapter. The events mentioned are a background against which He stands—"the First Begotten of the Dead, and the Prince of the kings of the earth" (v. 5). As the former He is our Saviour; as the latter He will one day surely manifest Himself.

**PRAYER TOPIC:**

That the Church of Christ universal may be quickened and empowered in view of His near return.

**Monday, December 4th.** Rev. i. 9-20.

"One like unto the Son of man" (verse 13).

"Son of Man" is the name which reveals the humanity of Christ. Here He appears in heaven under that name. Thus it is clear that Christ's humanity remains though He is now on the throne. On ascending into heaven, He went not only as God, but also as man. To us this means much. As the "Man of Sorrows," who Himself suffered on earth, He can enter into our sufferings. Because He too is man, He understands us men, and is in a position to represent us perfectly to His Father, and to grant us always just the help we need.

**PRAYER TOPIC:**

For many conversions to follow Christian witness and tract distribution among H.M. Forces at home and overseas.

**Tuesday, December 5th.** Rev. ii. 1-17.

"Thou has left thy first love" (v. 4).

This could be said of many Christians to-day. Outwardly they are all right, but to God they are disappointing. They still love Him, but not as passionately as they once did. The flame of their devotion has not flickered out, but its light has grown dim. The Church at Ephesus is exhorted to remember and return to its former devotion. It is good sometimes to go back in memory over our experience as Christians. If as we do so, we realise that spiritually we are not where we used to be, then it is for us to renew with penitence and sincerity our vows to God.

**PRAYER TOPIC:**

For Mrs. Leslie Wigglesworth, now serving the Master in Congo, that she may quickly acquire the language.

**Wednesday, December 6th.** Rev. ii. 18-29.

"The Son of God who hath His eyes like unto a flame of fire" (verse 18).

"Eyes like unto a flame of fire" suggests the power of inescapable penetration. We know our Lord possesses this. The remotest crevices of our inner life are easily visible to Him. Nothing escapes His scrutinising gaze. The realisation of this fact should have a twofold effect upon us. Firstly it should comfort us. What could be more glorious in these dark days than to know that His eye is ever upon us? Secondly, it should restrain us. We shall be very careful what we do and where we go, if we remember that He is watching all the while.

**PRAYER TOPIC:**

That evangelical work amongst evacuated children may be richly blessed.

**Thursday, December 7th.** Rev. iii. 1-13.

"Thou hast a name that thou livest, and art dead" (verse 1).

This condition is unhappily apparent in many so-called Christian circles to-day. There is a form of godliness, but lack of the power thereof. To us this should be so serious a matter as to constrain us to pray earnestly for revival. It should also remind us that true spirituality does not always accompany loud and dogmatic professions of faith. The state of the heart is the thing that counts. Above all else we must keep it in tune with God. Then there will be no discord between what we profess and what we possess.

**PRAYER TOPIC:**

For special encouragement to be granted to aged believers now unable to attend evening services.

**Friday, December 8th.** Rev. iii. 14-22.

"Behold, I stand at the door, and knock" (verse 20).

Note it is at the Church door where Christ stands. We could understand if He said the world refused Him entrance, but we should expect the Church to be the one place where He was always "in the midst." Yet it is true even to-day that many so-called churches are crowding Him out. They have room for everything but Him. But they have no spiritual power. They never will have until Christ is given His rightful place. Neither Church life nor personal life can really succeed unless Christ is the centre of it. Let us then allow nothing to rob Him of His place.

**PRAYER TOPIC:**

That our statesmen and rulers may be guided by God, and seek His wisdom and strength.

**Saturday, December 9th.** Rev. iv. 1-11.

"Those beasts give glory and honour and thanks to Him that sat on the throne" (verse 9).

The music of heaven is praise. We need a little more of this music here on earth. Scripture bears eloquent testimony to its wonderful power. When Israel praised, Jericho fell; when Paul and Silas praised, their prison bands were loosed. As we recall our past experience, we must praise God for what He has done for us; as we meditate upon Him in all His glory, we must praise Him for what He is to us. Then when difficulties loom ahead, we shall find our faith so strengthened as to be able to praise Him for the deliverance which we know He will bring to us.

**PRAYER TOPIC:**

For continual unction and grace to rest upon our Elim pastors and their ministry.

## Helpful Illustrations

### for Christian Workers

#### GOD'S PROVISION

One of Spurgeon's quaint sayings was: "If there were an ant at the door of your granary begging for help, it wouldn't ruin you to give him a grain of your wheat. You are but a tiny insect at the door of God's all-sufficiency."

If a great king should issue an order that your needs should be supplied as long as you might live, you would cease to worry, for here is one who has authority and resources in plenty. How much more should the promises of the King of kings stop our worrying.

His promises are so many bonds that may be cashed in the day of the believer's need. Our only concern needs to be that our rights to the promises may be cleared up, for it is sad when one stands with the King's promises in hand and fears to face the Cashier with them.

#### Worth Following

There is a pleasing story of how the father of Matthew Henry, the commentator, won his bride. He was a Presbyterian minister, she an only daughter, and the heiress of a considerable fortune.

Her father objected. "You see," he said to his daughter, "he may be a perfect gentleman, a brilliant scholar, and an excellent preacher; but he is a stranger, and we do not even know where he comes from!"

"True," replied the girl, with all the acumen and insight that her great son afterward displayed, "but we know where he is going, and I should like to go with him."

Do others have confidence in us because they know we are led of God?

## GOD'S SIDE OF THE CROSS

When God surveys the wondrous cross  
On which His own Beloved died,  
His richest stores of heavenly grace  
To sinners all are open wide.

**T**HINK of God commending His love toward us! After looking down and seeing human frailty, our helplessness, our sinfulness, God says, "I commend My love to you. This is what you need."

It was God who first drew near to Adam and called, "Adam, where art thou?" It has been God ever since who has stood outside the heart's door knocking for admittance; it is God who has presented Himself, made His recommendation and designed many ways to reveal Himself to His people: "This is My joy for you." So many times we read, He comes with His recommendation, His will, telling what would be for our best! It has been God that has been doing the recommending. We are saved because He recommended Himself to us. And we are glad for that commendation.

That little word "commend" was very intriguing to me as I thought over it. What does it mean when it says: "He commends His love to us"? First of all, it means that He set together His love, He brought it all set together. If you want to know where He set it together,

### LOOK AT CALVARY.

You will see it all in one person, Christ on the Cross. I think He gathered it from the east and the west. I think He emptied heaven of love—all of love was gathered up in one person, Christ Jesus, all set together before mankind. If you want to look at God's love, look at the Cross. God set His love together. How? By Christ dying for sinners. There was only one way for Him to gather it all up at once and show it to us, and that was by sending Jesus to die for us. Ah, He died for us, and if you want to put a little emphasis on the "us" go back to the sixth verse. "In due time Christ died for the ungodly" (Rom. v. 6), those who were without God and without hope in the world. That is how God revealed His love; that is how He set it together. Another word for "commend" is *introduce*—God introduced His love to us by having Christ die for us. What a wonderful introduction to the love of God! What a beautiful way to introduce it! What a striking way, by having Christ on the Cross. That is God's method of introduction. He says, "That is My introduction, My way of showing the love I have for you." We have heard of many striking ways of introducing folk, but this is

### THE MOST EXTRAORDINARY.

I know of nothing that grips my heart more than the story of the Cross and the realisation that Christ is there as my representative, dying for me. If someone found out I was in debt about a thousand pounds, and were to come and tell me that he loved me, at the same time

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presenting me a cheque to cover the amount, saying, "This is to prove I love you," I would believe him. And when the world stands and looks at the Cross of Christ, and God says, "This is My introduction to you," the world ought to realise that He loves them to the utmost.

The word "commend" also carries the meaning of "exhibit" in the Greek. He not only wants to "set this love together," not only "introduces" it to us, but He wants to set it before us as an *exhibit* so that we may frequently look at it and be reminded that He loves us. It is His exhibition of His love. We might read it this way: "But God exhibited His love for us in that while we were sinners Christ died for us." Think of this exhibition! Those of us to whom the death of Christ on the Cross means something, to whom it means life, and joy, and happiness, never look at that Cross but something within us melts; our hearts are broken as we stand before the Cross, in view of all that He has done for us. If you are really saved you never can come to this exhibit without realising that God loves you, and

### YOUR HEART IS MELTED

at this exhibition of His love, and you love Him in return. If it causes you an emotion, think of the emotion in the breast of God as He looks upon it!

Do you mean to say that God does not remember the Cross? There is nothing He remembers more. That Cross brings greater emotion to the heart of God than does the whole universe which He created. Some folk are moved with great emotion when they look at the world and the solar system, and they are spending their lives trying to discover something new. God looks upon all these things placidly, but when it comes to the Cross He is moved to the very heart. The world

But God commendeth His Love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us—

Romans v. 8

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did not cost Him much to create; the universe didn't cost Him much. He spake and it came to pass. He said, "Let there be," and there was. That was all, but when it came to the Cross of Calvary, He could not say, Let there be and there was. The Cross cost Him anguish of heart; it cost Him separation from His dearest and best; it cost Him a taste of death; it cost Him suffering and pain. He set it on exhibit. It is there before Him, before us. He set it there that we might know that He loved us. And if the Cross cannot tell us that God loves us there is nothing in the world that ever can. If the Cross doesn't speak to you of God's love then I cannot; no one can. That was God's set purpose in exhibiting the Cross, that it might exhibit the love of God.

There is another beautiful meaning to that Greek word translated here. It is, "to stand near." How beautiful!

### GOD STOOD NEAR

with His love—"While we were yet sinners Christ died for us." While we were yet sinners God stood near with His love in the person of Jesus Christ. He left heaven's glory in the person of Jesus Christ. He drew near and stood alongside of sinful men. He stood near to us. Born in humility and poverty, as one of us, identified with man in every instance except in sin. He walked with man, knew his poverty, knew his awful condition. God drew near. Even when Christ was hanging on the Cross, between heaven and earth, He was yet so near Christ could reach up and touch Him.

That is how near the loving God stood when Christ died on Calvary. What happened that day was simply this: God standing near with His love, presented it to us: "This is My love toward you. This is how much I love you. I am letting Christ die for you." Looking at the Cross you see God standing near with His love. God standing near! He came as near as He could. I marvel that He came so near. Our logic would never allow God to come so near if He were truly a holy God, and the Word of God says He is. Our logic would put Him away off into the heavens, somewhere far beyond the bounds of the universe, out there where we could never touch Him. We were sinners, doing our best to get away from Him. Our logic would not bring Him near, but God broke down every barrier and came near in the form of sinful man. He came as near as He could

### WITHOUT TOUCHING SIN.

Picture God planning every way to get near to man! Oh, yes, He has been trying to show us that love, been trying to reveal it to us for ages.

The Word of God says, "If we sin, the wrath of God abides upon us," but did you notice how successfully He hid His wrath and began to show love to the first man? There is not a word of wrath, not a sound of anger in His message to Adam. Just a voice full of sadness, a voice that seemingly was filled with all the loneliness it could possibly contain: "Adam, where art thou? I have lost thee. I have longed to put My hand in yours again. I long to bring you back from that dividing line. If there is anything I can do to come over on that side with you, I will do it." And before He had left Adam and Eve He said, "The seed of the woman shall bruise the serpent's head." He provided a way for them until it could finally be accomplished on Calvary.

That is the picture I'd like to have you see of God. That love throbbing in His breast, commending itself to you—God recommending love, exhibiting love, introducing love, coming and "standing near" with love. Oh, that we might see it!

Another meaning of the word is "approved." God approved His love to us. It is strange that man will disapprove what God approves of, but it is done so frequently. Man

### THINKS HE CAN BETTER

God's way. A lady told me recently that it all lay in correct thinking; that if we thought correctly everything would be lovely. Man is always devising some other way but God's, endeavouring to climb up to heaven some other way, but Jesus said, "He that climbeth up some other way is a thief and a robber." God approving love. If you do not approve of that there is no help for you. That  
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## OUR SIDE OF THE CROSS

When I survey the wondrous cross  
On which the Prince of Glory died,  
My richest gain I count but loss  
And pour contempt on all my pride.

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## Editorial

WE welcome the very practical article in this week's *Evangel* on the subject of the Christian and the Radio. Some of the most useful of inventions, including the steam engine and the motor car, in their early days were considered to be of Satanic origin by many sincere Christians. Wireless is no exception, and there are still those who condemn it unconditionally. While it is not our purpose to correct these good people, yet we commend the article by Pastor Cariss for its scriptural view-point. We do well to take heed to the warning note that he sounds.

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DURING the last great war, Sunday newspapers became a national institution. Is this war to witness similarly the establishment of Sunday cinemas and theatres? While churches are closing their Sunday evening services owing to the black-out, cinema and theatre proprietors are asking for a general opening of these places of amusement on the Lord's Day. Their demand is apparently backed up by the War Office on the ground that soldiers on leave need something to do on Sundays. It is being vigorously opposed by the Lord's Day Observance Society.

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## Bible Prescriptions for Spiritual Needs

*Thy Word have I hid in my heart that I might not sin against Thee.*—Psalm cxix. 11.

**W**HEN answer to prayer is delayed read Matt. xv. 21-28, Luke xi. 1-13, and Luke xviii. 1-8.

When in sorrow and bereavement read John xiv. and Revelation xxi.

When discouraged because of world conditions read Psalm lxxii., Isaiah xi. 1-9, and Isaiah xl.

When oppressed by doubts because of arguments of modern knowledge read John vii. 17, and I. Cor. i. 18 to ii. 16.

When tempted to doubt God's love read Matthew xxvii. and I. John iii. 16.

When under condemnation because of some sin read Psalms li., xxxii., and cxxx.

When irritable, critical, or resentful read I. Corinthians xiii.

When blue read Psalm xlii. 11, and Psalms ciii. and xxxiv.

When tempted to backslide because of discouragement read Hebrews xii.

When it seems that the Lord has forgotten us in trouble read Matthew viii. 23-27.

When undergoing a trial that we cannot understand read Job i. ii., and xlii. and Romans viii. 28.

For the secret of blessedness read Matthew v. 1-8.

When careless words get us into trouble read James iii.

When restless and sleepless read Psalm xxiii.

When you feel defeated by circumstances read Romans viii. 31-39.

When facing an important task read Joshua i. 1-9.

When the world and men seem greater than God read Psalm xc.

When desiring stronger assurance in the Christian life read Romans viii.

When men fail you, read Psalm xxii.

When in danger or oppressed by fears read Psalm xci.

When tempted to worry read Matthew vi. 19-34.

When God's presence seems far away read Psalm cxxxix.

Before beginning a journey read Psalm cxxi.

When your praying becomes selfish read Psalm lxvii.

When you find it hard to get along with people read Romans xii.

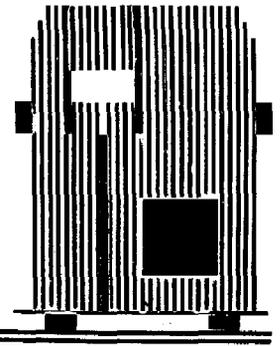
When faith is feeble in the face of difficulties read Hebrews xi.

When stumbled by the sight of the prosperity of the wicked and the suffering of the righteous read Psalm lxxiii.

# The Christian and the Radio

Satan knows he would be fighting a losing battle to try to get many Christians inside a theatre or a dance hall, but by means of radio, alas, how often he succeeds in bringing the theatre and the dance hall right inside their homes.

By Pastor J. C. CARISS (Elim Church, Lincoln)



**T**O us, one of the strongest proofs that Satan is the "god of this world" is the way he perverts to his own ends the achievements of science. The most appalling illustration of this is the prostitution of science in the manufacture of destructive weapons and gases. It is as tragic as it is Satanic that the best brains of the day should be devoting their skill to devise engines of death. But this is not all. We have no hesitation in saying that discoveries of science which might be wholly beneficial to mankind are often used by Satan to interfere with the work of God. Let us take "wireless," for example. It is so commonplace to-day that nearly everyone has a receiving set in their home. But it is none the less a very wonderful thing. We do not scorn it. On the contrary, we know that it has been the means of preserving many lives in shipwrecks and other disasters: that by supplying a link with the outside world it has brought comfort and cheer to many lonely homes. For all this we are thankful. But notwithstanding, we say that wireless has been and still is a channel through which Satan brings defilement into the lives of God's people. He knows he would be fighting a losing battle to try to get many Christians inside a theatre or a dance hall, but by means of radio, alas, how often he succeeds in bringing the theatre and the dance hall right inside their homes.

Some argue that while it is wrong to attend a theatre it is not wrong to

## LISTEN TO A THEATRICAL RELAY

in one's home. We reply, 'A man is polluted by what he receives, not by where he receives it. You can get drunk at home as well as at a public house. A lie spoken from a pulpit is still a lie: the fact that it is spoken there does not transform it into truth. The filth of the music hall does not take on another nature because we hear it in our home.'

Some shallow-minded person may say, "But listening-in is not condemned in the Bible." Of course not, for the very good reason that such things as radio sets have only been in existence a few years. The plain teaching of Scripture, however, is separation from the world. "Be not conformed to this world" (Rom. xii. 2). "We are debtors, not to the flesh, to live after the flesh" (Rom. viii. 12). "To be carnally minded is death, but to be spiritually minded is life and peace" (Rom. viii. 6). These and many other texts prove this. Surely relays from

theatres, music halls, boxing booths are worldly, fleshly, carnal. If this is so, and we give them our attention, our spiritual life will suffer. There seems to be abroad to-day in some Christian circles a low sort of bravado, which delights in seeing how near it can get to the edge of the precipice of sin without actually losing its footing. But the Bible teaches us we

## CANNOT FLIRT WITH SIN

and escape defilement. If we would live acceptably in the sight of God, we must shun every appearance of evil. It is well to remember too, that conscience grows less sensitive as it becomes more accustomed to habits against which it at first registered protest. We have blushed with shame as we have listened to things which were allowed to come over the radio in some Christian homes. No doubt there was a time when the people of the house felt as we did, but use made them indifferent.

Especially dangerous is "wireless" where children are concerned. Think of some of the language to be heard over the air. How can Christian parents allow their children to hear this, and then reprimand them if they use bad words? It has come as a shock to us when we have heard children in Christian homes talking in their innocent way about their favourite radio stars, singing snatches of their songs, and repeating their sayings. Shall we remain indifferent while our children give their hero-worship to actors rather than to martyrs, to comedians instead of missionaries?

Someone says, "Do you suggest that we banish wireless from our homes?" Not at all. Because a fire might in certain circumstances be dangerous, we do not refuse to have any in the house. In the same way, let us by all means avail ourselves of the benefits of radio: but let us keep alive to its dangers. Let us be on our guard against the temptation to listen to broadcasts which are not edifying. It is so easy to switch on our receiver and be captivated immediately by the programme without settling the question as to whether we ought to listen to it or not. Afterwards we may be sorry, but then the harm has been done. What we must do is to make up our minds to listen only to those things which we can turn to capital in our Christian life, to permit ourselves to hear no broadcast which if Christ returns while we are listening to it, will make us ashamed.

# Praying in the Name of Christ

**T**O pray in the name of Christ means, no doubt, that we go to God in His name and not in our own. The name stands for all that goes to make up personality. To do anything in the name of another is to do it as his representative and with the authority and power which belongs to him in virtue of who and what he is. When, therefore, we are privileged to pray in the name of Christ, the most evident meaning is that we have been granted permission to use that name as the ground upon which to urge our plea before God.

When I use another's name I practically discard my own name as being of no value in securing what I want. To go to God in my own name is to go as did the Pharisee. Five times in his few short sentences he used the pronoun "I" to tell God who he was and what he had done. He was only out to parade. He really went up to the temple to brag and not to pray; he asked for nothing and

## GOT WHAT HE PRAYED FOR.

When the publican prayed he did so with a becoming sense of his own worthlessness, and pleaded the atoning merits of the mercy seat—Christ.

We recall how certain unworthy characters took upon

them to call over them which had evil spirits the name of the Lord Jesus, saying, "We adjure you by Jesus whom Paul preacheth," and the evil spirit answered, "Jesus I know, and Paul I know, but who are you?" and the occasion resulted disastrously for those who unworthily and fraudulently sought to make use of that great and blessed name.

Would you be willing to grant me the unqualified use of your name to use it when and for whatever purpose I chose, unless you felt that your honour and your interests were as safe with me as with yourself? And think you the Lord of heaven could trust His all-powerful name with anyone out of harmony with His Spirit or in whose hands His interests would not be secure? The use of another's name supposes the surrender of my individual interest to his interests or to such interests as are common to us both by virtue of the union existing between us. When an officer collects money in the name of the government it is not to fill his own purse, but for the government's sake; when he makes an arrest in the name of the state it is not for personal spite, but in the interest of the commonwealth. Let us pray *in His name*.—W. E. B.

# Calvary—God's Spelling of Love

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is the only prescription, the only cure, the only recommendation under which you will find God's name inscribed. It is the love that was shown in Jesus Christ. Through Him He is commending His love to us. You will notice there is nothing else that God commends to us, for everything is included in this.

Why did God commend His love to us? If you were a salesman you would not go out into a farming district to try to sell potatoes. You would know they were growing them out there and you would be wasting time trying to sell potatoes to farmers. Just so it would be useless to go to an armless man and try to sell him a car. He would have no need of it. God commended His love to us because we were sinners. Without His love we were lost, and seeing our need He came near with His love. There is nothing we need more, although

## WE THINK WE DO.

We think we need food, clothing, and comforts, but above all these we need the love of Jesus Christ.

We have no message for the folk who are living their life thinking there is not a single thing wrong with them, but our message is to them that are lost. If we are sinners we are very fortunate, for we have the privilege of coming to Jesus. It is the folk who have never done anything wrong that we feel sorry for because He didn't come for those folk at all. He came to seek and to save *that which was lost*.

That is where every false religion breaks down. This is where they cannot span the gulf. Look at the founders of any of the cults! There is not a single one of them living to-day. Every one is dead. The story is told of a missionary in Turkey who met someone who

was attacking the resurrection of Jesus Christ and seeking the way of life through Mohammed. She asked him, "When you come to the crossroads and you want directions, and there happen to be two persons there, one dead and the other living, of whom do you ask directions?" He said, "Why, of course, we will ask the living one." "That is what I am doing," said the missionary, "and I am taking His directions. Your Mohammed is dead."

## MY CHRIST IS ALIVE."

The Hindu expects incarnation, but not resurrection. None can bring us to the resurrection but Jesus Christ. He took another path, and the path was down and down and down. People could not understand it. Finally He gave up His life on the Cross. God revealed His love to us. They put Him in the grave, saying, "We have this Man sealed in the tomb and will hear no more from Him. Now we will break down His influence, and His miracles will soon be forgotten. The Cross will overshadow it all." If He had not risen, it would have been "all." Already, on the third day, His disciples who had not heard of His resurrection, said, "We trusted that it had been He which should have redeemed Israel: and beside all this, today is the third day since these things were done." His miracles, His witnessing were all lost and engulfed in the tragedy of the Cross. Why did God let it happen? He wanted to reveal His love. And oh! the third morning someone was sent from heaven to roll away the stone. On the surface one might think the angel rolled away the stone to let the Lord Jesus out of the tomb, but not so. He who could walk through closed doors and through buildings was out

of the tomb long before the stone was rolled away. But the disciples never knew that the tomb was empty until the angel rolled away the stone.

Since God exhibited such tremendous love for us

#### WHAT DO WE OWE.

to Him! Let me tell you that you are surely deceiving yourself if you think you owe something to yourself. You do not. You are deceiving yourself if you think you are your own property and can do as you please with yourself. You have just usurped authority over God's property. That is all. It is not yours, and if you give it over into the hands of the Devil you have become a thief and are liable to punishment. You are

"bought with a price." Christ paid the price on Calvary, and you are His.

We are not even honest if we are not wholly the Lord's. If we are walking in paths of sin and refusing to give Him what He asks of us we are not fair. We are thieves when we take what does not belong to us. God will hold us responsible for appropriating what belongs to Him. He will call us to account. He has a right to ask for an accounting of His property. What will we say to Him? May He help us that we may take His recommendation, receive the love that He offers us, and say, "Lord Jesus, I open my heart and bid Thee enter in. Come in and take possession of Thine own property." This is simply giving back to Him what is already His.

# CONTENDING FOR THE FAITH

## Many Decisions for Christ—Believers Established in the Faith

### FORTY-FIVE DECISIONS

**Belfast (Ulster Temple)** Pastor J. C. Kennedy). When war started, the question arose as to whether we should hold the special campaign, previously arranged, to be conducted by Pastor Gwilym Francis. It was decided to go ahead with plans, and trust the Lord for the results.

This decision has since proved to be well worth while as many sick folk were healed, and above all, forty-five decisions were made for Christ. Among those healed was a sister who had been suffering for six years with very bad heart trouble, and for the past two years was fully confined to bed; after the Pastor had prayed for her at her own home she was able to get up and go out and tell her neighbours what the Lord had done for her. We do praise and thank God for the visit of our beloved brother Pastor Francis into our midst. His messages were indeed Spirit-filled, and gripped the hearts of his hearers.

Many have been greatly blessed by his ministry, faith has been increased, and several strangers who came along regularly to the campaign are with us still, enjoying the blessing of God in our midst. Waiting meetings are being held for those seeking to be filled with the Spirit, and we are expecting a mighty outpouring in view of our Lord's near return.

### A FORWARD MOVE

**Newbury** (Evangelist H. R. Rees). With joy and thankfulness to God we are glad to report a definite forward move during the past two months under the ministry of Mr. H. R. Rees. Prayer and patience have been rewarded, and great spiritual blessings are being received. Our numbers are doubled, and amongst the newcomers is a young lady who, at a recent Sunday evening service, came out to the front, and kneeling

down, confessed Christ as her Saviour. Truly the power of God is in our midst, and we believe for greater things.

Our Crusader branch has been re-established, and increased interest is being shown in all the meetings, especially among the young people. The sick have been prayed for and five have testified to the healing of their bodies, the outstanding case being that of a young lady who has suffered with rheumatoid arthritis over four years. To God be all the praise and the glory!

### REVIVAL CAMPAIGN

**Wolverhampton** (Pastor W. F. South). A three-weeks' Revival and Healing Campaign has just concluded. War-time conditions hampered our efforts somewhat, but the black-out did not prevent good companies gathering nightly to hear the old gospel message. Singing was wholehearted, the streets echoing with the praises of God. A near-by shopkeeper said it was "as good as going to church!"

Pastor W. E. Smith delivered messages covering the various aspects of the Foursquare Gospel and other helpful topics.

Adults and children have surrendered to the Saviour; a number have sought the Lord's healing touch; weak souls have received an impetus to their faith, whilst others have testified to help and encouragement received.

### BAPTISED IN THE HOLY SPIRIT

**Cardiff** (Pastor P. S. Brewster). The following testimony is to hand from one of quite a number who have recently received the baptism in the Holy Spirit:

"During the last few weeks I have been earnestly seeking to be filled with God's Holy Spirit. On Thursday, November 2nd, I remained behind after the service to attend a waiting meeting. After a short while of praising the Lord,

I felt God's Spirit move through me, my speech became confused, my praising difficult, and a curious tightness came into my throat. The next thing I remember was speaking in an unknown tongue at the top of my voice. It was glorious, and all the way home I was still praising God in the heavenly language.

"No words of mine, however, can express fully the joy of that wonderful moment (Acts ii. 4)."

### THE GIFTS OF THE SPIRIT

**Penzance** (Evangelist A. Newman). A time of blessing was experienced at the harvest thanksgiving service. The goodly display of fruit and vegetables was later distributed to the sick and poor.

At a recent breaking of bread service the gifts of the Spirit were in operation, and the message given greatly encouraged believers to continue faithful until the Lord's return. Crusader Sunday was blessed of the Lord, and we are looking forward to another occasion when the young people will minister the Word.

### AN ENCOURAGING REPORT

**Brighton** (Pastor T. W. Thomas). We have recently been privileged to hear several different speakers, among them two who were once Fascist leaders, but now through the wonder-working power of the gospel, they have come under the leadership of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. One was Mr. Marshall, who brought his black shirt with him, and had his white one on, and who afterwards spoke in the open air to a very large crowd. Also Lieut.-Commander Macmillan, who spoke on Prophecy. Both these messages were greatly blessed to us.

A baptismal service was held at which four people passed through the waters. Pastor Darragh's ministry was blessed to the salvation of three souls.

One Sunday morning Pastor Thomas felt constrained to test the meeting, and six gave their hearts to the Lord, and another four in the evening. God is blessing the work here and souls are being saved.

Pastor L. Green also ministered the Word, and a sister found Christ.

A good number turned out for the "Youth Crusade" meetings. The choir pieces and solos by Pastor and different Crusaders were a great blessing to us, as were also the testimonies and messages.

The Crusaders from Preston Park, who took the meeting one night, also added to the blessing by their ministry in word and song, and Pastor F. Smith gave a very helpful message to God's children at the Monthly Rally. One backslider was restored, and a great impression was made on many hearts.

On November 5th our beloved Principal and Revival Party were with us. The Lord knew what trying times some of us were passing through, and He sent His servant along with a message of encouragement, as he spoke on "Divers Furnaces," a message that will long be remembered. In the evening, Pastor and Mrs. J. McWhirter spoke to a very large congregation on some of their experiences whilst on their missionary tour in Australia. Our hearts rejoiced as they told us of how God had saved souls, and two more were added that night.

We do praise God that even in the black-out we can still have our evening services, and a good number attend. None go away disappointed, as we receive great spiritual uplift and encouragement through our Pastor's ministry.

#### HELPFUL VISITS

**Brixton (Wynne Road)** (Pastor C. E. Palmer). The assembly, newly-housed in this beautiful chapel, has greatly rejoiced on two recent occasions to listen to the ministry of the Word by Pastor W. G. Hathaway.

At both services the messages radiated inspiration and spiritual joy. We praise God for these recent visits and enriching messages, and look forward with ever-

heightening expectancy to those showers of blessing and the widespread spiritual revival that is surely already indicated and yet to burst forth in gracious floods of power.

It is a great joy to us all to welcome quite a goodly number of erstwhile strangers at our meetings, and we pray that very soon all sense of strangeness may melt right away under the warmth of love so abundantly shed abroad where "the Lord is in the midst."

#### PASTOR'S ANNIVERSARY

**Glossop** (Pastor R. D. Bradley). We quote the following from an article in the "Glossop Chronicle" reporting Pastor Bradley's anniversary service.

"During the past year," said the pastor, "through united effort and consecrated service much work had been done in the church; alterations, and decorations had been carried out without mishap, and it had been well done. Members of this church had spent long hours working very hard, but it had been worth it all. The whole building had undergone a great change, and so great was the desire to help that at times there were more workers than work. That was what he liked to see. Besides this they had raised the sum of £50 towards these things, and they were clear of debt, without any special sideshows such as bazaars, whist drives and the like, but by simply asking for it for God's work. He thanked them for loyal support. They accepted responsibilities as true Christians should.

"Turning his attention to future plans, he said that the church with its services must go on, and would go on. The present situation must not interfere with the work of Christ's kingdom.

"They were going to make the coming year one of real effort; the past year had proved what a united effort could achieve. The signs of the times told them Christ was coming soon; the time was short. Let them then, like those workmen of Nehemiah, put their backs into the work of God, and like them be able later on to survey their activity and say, 'So we did the job, so built we the wall.' Churches wanted workers, not entertainers."

#### A DAY OF BLESSING

**Hendon** (Pastor G. L. W. Ladlow).

It was with grateful hearts that we listened to Pastor J. Payne's stirring testimony on Sunday morning, as he told of the loving care of our Heavenly Father in protecting them on their return from Switzerland.

Our brother's searching message at the gospel service on the words, "Be ye also ready," greatly encouraged our hearts, at the same time urging us to be up and doing for the Master.

We were also privileged to have in our midst Evangelist J. McGillivray, and his messages on Sunday morning and evening were a rich blessing to all. A real foretaste of heaven was experienced by all who gathered around the Lord's Table at the close of the day, and we were able to sing from full and expectant hearts.

"His face will outshine them all."

#### ANNUAL CONVENTION

**Nottingham** (Pastor W. Barton). Although the black-out has been responsible for the discontinuing of many social events, it has not damped the spirits and ardour of the Foursquare Gossellers in Nottingham. The building has been very effectively blacked-out, so that the services can be carried on in the normal way.

The recent Convention services were a proof of the way God is setting His seal upon His own work. Pastor and Mrs. Stoneham paid a weekend visit which was attended with much blessing, all present rejoicing in their cheery and godly ministry. It was brought home again to us how wonderful it is to have a Father and Saviour to lean upon in these dark and dreadful days.

The services in general are growing in numbers, and almost at every meeting souls are being saved, especially at the gospel services.

Pastor and Mrs. Barton, with the assistance of Pastor Peterson, are faithfully carrying on the work, and God is richly blessing all departments of both Church and Sunday School.

The Crusaders are continuing their activities both in prayer and open air witnessing.

## A RIGHT TO BE HAPPY

**A** FEW years ago a young officer in the British Army was brought to own Jesus Christ, Lord, trusting Him as the Saviour. A bright, happy believer, his conduct and testimony brought out his confession.

He was one day with a fellow-officer who said, "I cannot make you out. You profess to be a Christian, but you do not appear like one."

The Christian replied, "I am very sorry to hear you say that; in what way is my conduct inconsistent?"

"I do not mean that," was the reply, "but you seem so happy, and my idea of a Christian is that he is a man that is always looking sanctimonious, miserable, and stupid. You are the most cheerful fellow in the regiment. I can't make you out."

He replied, "Look here, my good fellow, I want to tell you something. I have a right to be happy and you have not! My happiness is reasonable and yours is

irrational. My happiness arises from contemplating facts, yours is dependent on forgetting facts."

And this is surely true. David wrote (Psalm xxxii.): "When I kept silence, my bones waxed old through my roaring all the day long." Again: "I acknowledged my sin unto Thee, and mine iniquity have I not hid. I said I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord; and Thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin" (vv. 3 and 5).

Surely it is better to face facts, owning one's lost condition, and receive pardon, than to ignore facts, seeking to drown conscience in an endless round of pleasures which never satisfy, and then to go out into the blackness of darkness, with nothing but an accusing conscience and endless despair, "where their worm dieth not, and the fire is not quenched" (Mark ix. 46).

The only person truly happy is the one of whom David wrote in Psalm xxxii. 1: "Blessed (happy) is he whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered."



# ELIM CRUSADER PAGE

CONDUCTED BY PASTOR DOUGLAS B. GRAY

## Crusader Campaign at Islington

There was no "black-out" depression at Islington on the opening night of our Crusader campaign (held in the third week of October), but a joyful atmosphere full of the power of the Holy Spirit. The first meeting took the form of a North London Rally, and the minor hall was packed, additional chairs being needed. Pastor J. Dyke gave a message on the types of Martha, Lazarus, and Mary. An encouraging word was given by Pastor W. G. Hathaway who dwelt on the

the inspiring piece, "Wonderful promises." A former dirt-track rider told the story of his conversion to a thrilled congregation on Saturday evening; God had delivered him from a life of thieving.

In the breaking of bread service the Lord gave us a real "glory" meeting. Rev. Mr. Wilde, a Church of England minister, preached at the final Gospel service, and expounded the text, "Salvation is of the Lord." A real time of refreshing has been experienced.



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Islington  
& Wimbledon  
Crusaders  
at a  
Reunion  
Outing  
with  
Pastors  
J. McAvoy &  
W. J. Patterson

Christian's hope of the coming of the Lord, despite the dark future of the world in general. The message in song by the Crusaders was entitled, "O Christ, whose glory fills our days." A band of young people distributed leaflets advertising the meetings on the Sunday afternoon, prior to the campaign. The Crusaders conducted the gospel service in message, testimony, and song, and one soul was brought to Christ.

The Crusaders from Leyton took the Wednesday meeting, and a brother delivered a challenging message for the times on "Stand fast." Among the fine musical items was

### Crusader Page Brevities

Several branches have written us since the war declaring that although difficulties will have to be faced in the future, yet they are determined by His grace to push forward the work of God.

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Converts visited and re-visited 198  
Crusaders sick and absentees 128  
Regular visits to sick and aged 78  
To other meetings ... .. 8

A grand total of 412 visits. Visiting bands, please note!

## CRUSADER BIBLE SCHOOL

By Frank W. Birkenshaw

Paper No. 5

1. Who was the man living in Bethsaida that brought Nathaniel to Jesus?

2. Name the man who was troubled with doubts and wanted to touch Christ's wounds for assurance.

3. Where is it recorded that iron became lighter than water?

4. What kind of meat were the Jews forbidden to eat, though they might sell it or give it away?

5. Locate these passages, giving chapter and verse:

"Let your light so shine . . ."

"Judge not . . ."

"Whosoever shall confess Me before men . . ."

6. Which is the only passage in the Bible that mentions a schoolmaster?

7. "I am too great a sinner." What scripture would you use to help a person who makes this excuse for refusing Christ and His salvation?

8. "Master, which is the greatest commandment in the law?" What answer did Jesus give to this question?

9. There are six poetical books in the Old Testament, five of which follow the historical books. The sixth is Lamentations. Name the five.

10. *New Testament Arithmetic.* Problem No. 5.

Divide the number of men who were fed by Jesus with five loaves and two fishes (John vi.) by the number of measures of oil which a certain man owed his master (Luke xvi.). Subtract the number of days Jesus spent in the wilderness (Luke iv.), and you will have the number of the chapter in the Book of Romans which is called the "Salvation Chapter."

Which chapter is it?

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